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Also enclosed is a Foreign Search Report issued on March 22, 2004 for a foreign counterpart of the present patent application, in which the presently disclosed references were cited. Since a translation of the Search Report is also enclosed, it is believed that the applicants in the above-identified patent application have now met the "concise explanation" requirement of 35 C.F.R. 1.98.

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